IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: AUF DER HEIDE et al.

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For:

SMOKE-PERMEABLE POLYAMIDE

BASED FOOD CASING

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Charlotte, North Carolina December 23, 2010

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated September 29, 2010, kindly consider the following amendments and remarks. Also enclosed is a internet publicatin entitled "Color of a Smoked Sausage," attached as Exhibit I

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 5 of this paper.